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To: David Scholefield, Chairperson

Tourism Development Commission

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Subject: Event Partnership Agreement Parada Del Sol Parade

Events are an important component of Scottsdale's overall image, "its product", and its lifestyle. The City and its residents often benefit from events held in Scottsdale through increased cultural opportunities, recreational and increased economic activity, enhanced community status, and additional marketing exposure.

Parada Del Sol Parade and Trails End Celebration is an event that is locally significant, has historical value, and celebrates a community spirit. For over 20 years the parade and celebration has received annual funding from bed tax allocated toward tourism event development through the community event funding program.

The parade and ancillary events attract over 50,000 attendees and are extremely important for the benefits mentioned. In order to enhance the parade programing and ensure growth of the event, the city is evaluating entering into multi-year event partnership agreement with Parada Del Sol Inc. The agreement may include direct dollar and in-kind service support.

Next Steps

Following TDC discussion and additional considerations, staff will present an event partnership agreement for consideration on the September 20 TDC agenda.



























































